Town of Marlow Select Board meeting minutes March 4, 2024

Quorum declared at 6:31PM.

Present: John Luke, Sandy Pierre, Jacqui Fay, Bob Allen

Role Call: Dan Reed

Reviewed check deposit for \$2360.43.

Reviewed check register for \$111,072.12.

John Luke met with Tony Davis and Kris Keith. Kris is going to put in a bid on fixing the Highway Barn. John is looking into finding other companies to give us a price also.

Tony will get in contact with the DOT regarding the Lewis Bridge project and whether the entrance off Route 10 needs to be changed.

John discussed with Tony the possibility of integrating the Recycling Station with the Highway Department. Tony thinks this would be no problem.

Dan Reed came in to discuss the U.S. flags that were ordered on behalf of the Patriotic Committee for the Memorial Day cemetery ceremony. The vendor made an error and provided a quote for a different flag than what we wanted. The error wasn't caught in time before the flags were shipped. We agreed to return them, and to place an order for the correct ones, which are larger and sturdier.

Discussion of status of logging off Gumb Road.

Discussion of Dan Reed's request for a building permit to construct a shed on his property.

John spoke with Chris ODette, who is willing to serve as Patriotic Officer. Dave Davis thinks he would be a good fit for the role. We'll ask him to attend next week's Select Board meeting to get sworn in.

Inventory forms were mailed to all out-of-town residents on Feb. 12th. Forms for in-town residents will be in the same envelope as their town report.

Reviewed Sandy's notes from her call with Dario Carrara, Secretary of the New Hampshire Building Officials Association, regarding some questions about the building permit process.

Bob Allen resigned as Building Inspector, because his full-time job doesn't give him the time and flexibility the position requires. John Luke volunteered to become Building Inspector, on the condition that he get a dedicated town email address for the role, and can set specific days and hours for BI duties.

Sandy made a motion to appoint John as Building Inspector; Bob seconded. Sandy and Bob voted aye; John abstained. We'll ask the Town Clerk to prepare a swearing in certificate for John, and for Chris ODette.

Interviews have been scheduled with two applicants for the Administrative Assistant position.

Discussed HB1202, a pending bill that would set a deadline of 65 days for towns to approve driveway permits.

Discussed email from Davis Bernstein of Cheshire County regarding the appointment of Chad McMurrer as Cheshire County Emergency Medical Services (CCEMS) interim chief, effective March 1.

Jeffrey McIver of CCI/Fidium sent an email that he will provide an annual report on how Fidium is doing in Marlow and whether the fees are exceeding the bond soon.

Reviewed draft Public Participation Policy for Select Board meetings, previously reviewed at the work session on Feb. 22nd. Bob made a motion to adopt the policy; John seconded. All voted aye.

Discussed training courses that Tony recommends for highway department staff.

Sandy made a motion to adjourn at 8:30PM; Bob seconded. All voted aye.

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